

Keetley Loses Post Office

KEETLEY—The fourth-class post office at Keetley will be closed as soon as the Post Office Department can make necessary arrangements, according to Congressman Douglas R. Stringfellow.

An investigation and study were recently completed by the Bureau of Post Office Operations at the request of Congressman Stringfellow and as a result the abolishment of the Keetley Post Office was justified.

Keetley is a small mining community located in Wasatch County near Park City. According to the official investigation conducted by postal inspectors, "eighteen of the 20 families noted as depending on the Keetley Post Office for the service are employees of the New Park Mining Co. Five of these families are actual residents of Park City, while two live at Salt Lake and two represent the families of the acting postmaster and his father."

The receipts of the Keetley Post Office for the calendar year 1952 were \$300.41. The salary of the postmaster was \$1,111.32 per annum, plus 15 per cent additional allowance for rent, light, fuel and equipment. The deficit for keeping the office open was, therefore, about \$1,000.

Congressman Stringfellow said he concurred in the finding of the Post Office Department that the expense as compared to the service, the post office no longer warrants its maintenance.

← About 1953



John B. "Jack" Keetley, for whom the community of Keetley was named.

the years of construction of the Ontario-Daly Drain Tunnel remember "Jack" Keetley for his kindness to them as they romped over the hills under which his men were digging. Years later, George A. Fisher, prominent cattleman and land developer, named the community which developed in the valley below the mining project, Keetley, in honor of his "childhood hero."

The Keetley area was first prospected around 1875 and 1876. When David Keith and Thomas Kearns were prospecting in the mountains that produced the great mines of Park City, their fellow prospector, David Fisher, turned south and laid claim to the "Columbus," a tract which



George A. Fisher, who named the town of Keetley, and was its mayor.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum • POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: Change in Name of Post Office

DATE: December 2, 1964

FROM: Chief, Organization Services Branch
Local Services Division
Denver Region, POD
P. O. Box 1979, Denver, Colorado 80201

IN REPLY
REFER TO: 51-DHS:ef P.O.CL:

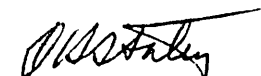
TO: Postmaster

Heber, Utah 84032

Effective January 1, 1965, the name of your post office will be changed to Heber City, Utah.

Please post a prominent notice in your lobby advising your patrons of the change and obtain as much publicity by other media as possible without incurring any expense to the Department.

Please requisition immediately the necessary postmarking and related dating equipment needed, in accordance with Part 651 of the Postal Manual. Your requisition is to be sent to this office for our subsequent referral to the Bureau of Facilities.


for G. B. Hartsook

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